

Appl. No. 09/784,665
Amdt. dated August 25, 2006
Reply to Office Action of July 26, 2005

REMARKS

Applicants have carefully reviewed the Office Action mailed July 26, 2005, regarding the above-referenced patent application. The application is currently under a restriction requirement.

In the Office Action, the Examiner asserted that the application contains claims directed to distinct inventions, wherein claims 22-30 and 35 are drawn to a balloon catheter, and claims 31-34 and 36 are drawn to a method of preparing a balloon catheter. An election to a single invention to be examined was requested by the Examiner.

In response to the Office Action, Applicants hereby elect to prosecute Invention I, corresponding to claims 22-30 and 35. This election is made without traverse.

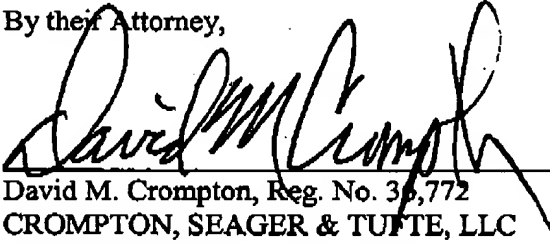
Reexamination and reconsideration are respectfully requested. It is respectfully submitted that all pending claims are now in condition for allowance. Issuance of a Notice of Allowance in due course is requested. If a telephone conference might be of assistance, please contact the undersigned attorney at (612) 677-9050.

Respectfully submitted,

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